as per the Ministry's guidelines framed under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The State Government was requested to provide complete details in respect of the proposal in January, 1995. The information was provided by the State Government in August, 1999.

The information provided by the State Government reveals that the project forms part of elephant habitat. The proposal is therefore being examined from the wildlife angle particularly with regard to the impact of the project on the migratory route of the elephants. A Committee has been constituted to inspect the area and submit its report within a month indicating mitigatory measures, if any.

Electrification of Jalandhar-Amritsar Rail Line

†*229. SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a decision for electrification of Jalandhar to Amritsar rail line has since been taken;

(b) if so, whether Government have assessed the expenditure to be incurred thereon; and

(c) if so, the details of the expenditure and by when the electrification of the above rail line is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Electrification of Jalandhar-Amritsar rail line is a part of Ludhiana-Amritsar electrification project which has been sanctioned at an estimated cost of Rs. 93.07 crores. The expenditure likely to be incurred upto 31.3.2000 is Rs. 1.80 crores. The above rail line is targeted for completion by March, 2004, subject to availability of funds.

Tobacco-Related Deaths

*230. SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated number of tobacco-related deaths during the last four years;

(b) the State and Union Territory-wise break-up of such deaths; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.